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AIR FREIGHT DECLINES FOR THE YEAR, UP IN DECEMBER

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 27 — The 22 airlines reporting cargo traffic to the Air Transport Association registered a 6.8 percent decline in air freight in 1985, but experienced an air freight traffic gain of 1.6 percent in December, compared with the same month a year earlier.

Domestic air freight in 1985 was down 9.0 percent. The air transportation of mail was up 2.4 percent. Total cargo, including freight and mail, declined 6.4 percent.

International air freight of the U.S. carriers was down 4.0 percent last year. Mail volume fell 1.4 percent, and total cargo declined 3.6 percent.

In December the domestic air freight volume was virtually unchanged, falling by 0.2 percent. Mail fell 1.5 percent, and total cargo was off 0.6 percent.

International air freight in December rose 3.7 percent. Mail declined 3.1 percent, and total cargo was up 2.4 percent.

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CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

U.S. AIRLINE INDUSTRY

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

	DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
DECEMBER 1985	284,406	126,064	410,470	248,621	54,280	302,901	533,027	713,371
DECEMBER 1984	285,096	127,924	413,020	239,679	56,036	295,715	524,775	708,735
PERCENT CHANGE	(0.2)	(1.5)	(0.6)	3.7	(3.1)	2.4	1.6	0.7
12 MONTHS 1985	3,440,539	1,144,739	4,585,278	2,751,107	424,217	3,175,324	6,191,646	7,760,602
12 MONTHS 1984	3,779,108	1,117,382	4,896,490	2,864,830	430,258	3,295,088	6,643,938	8,191,578
PERCENT CHANGE	(9.0)	2.4	(6.4)	(4.0)	(1.4)	(3.6)	(6.8)	(5.3)

NOTE: Carriers included: AirCal, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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AIR FREIGHT UP 6.1% IN JANUARY

WASHINGTON, D.C., February 26 -- Air freight was up 6.1 percent in January, compared with the same month last year, for the 22 airlines reporting cargo data to the Air Transport Association, ATA said today.

Coincidentally, domestic air freight registered the exact percentage gain as did air freight as a whole. Domestic air freight in January was up 6.1 percent. Mail increased 6.2 percent. Total domestic air cargo, consisting of both freight and mail, reflected a gain of 6.1 percent.

January international air freight traffic of U.S. airlines was up 6.2 percent. Mail gained 1.3 percent, and total cargo increased 5.5 percent.

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U.S. AIRLINE INDUSTRY

REVENUE TON-MILES
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		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
JANUARY	1986	276,508	95,333	371,841	212,227	34,162	246,389	488,735	618,230
JANUARY	1985	260,676	89,727	350,403	199,865	33,722	233,587	460,541	583,990
PERCENT CHANGE		6.1	6.2	6.1	6.2	1.3	5.5	6.1	5.9

NOTE: Carriers included: AirCal, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.